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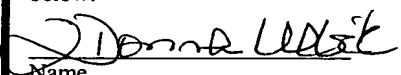
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Serial No. 10/699,577

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Grant et al.  
Serial No.: 10/699,577  
Filing Date: October 31, 2003  
Group Art Unit: 2661  
Title: CONFIGURATION MANAGEMENT FOR TRANSPARENT  
GATEWAYS IN HETEROGENEOUS STORAGE NETWORKS

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**REQUEST FOR STATUS**

Please advise the status of the above-identified patent application. The application was filed on October 31, 2003 and the filing receipt was received on February 9, 2004. On November 17, 2004 Applicants filed two Revocations and Powers of Attorney along with a Change of Attorney Docket Number.

Applicants filed a Request for Status on January 26, 2005 and another on June 27, 2005 and have not yet received a reply. Applicants await a first Office Action.

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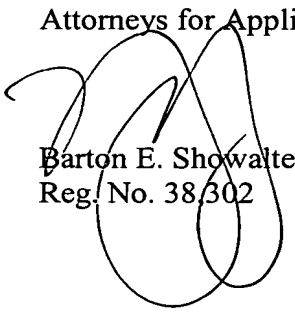
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REMARKS

Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.702(a)(1), it has been over fourteen months since the filing date of this Application and a Notification under 35 U.S.C. § 132 has not been received. Thus, a period of adjustment of patent term due to examination delay is accruing in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.703(a)(1).

If there are any matters that can be cleared up through a telephone conversation, please contact the undersigned attorney for Applicants at the telephone number listed below.

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